

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

DYSON TECHNOLOGY LIMITED)	
and DYSON, INC.,)	
Plaintiffs,)	
v.)	Civil Action No. 05-434 GMS
)	
MAYTAG CORPORATION,)	FILED UNDER SEAL
Defendant.)	REDACTED VERSION
)	March 20, 2007

**DEFENDANT MAYTAG CORPORATION'S
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO JOIN PARTIES**

NOW COMES Maytag Corporation ("Maytag"), through its undersigned counsel, and respectfully submits its Motion For Leave To Join Parties. In support thereof, Maytag states as follows:

On June 27, 2005 Dyson Technology Limited and Dyson, Inc. (collectively "Dyson") filed suit against Maytag Corporation ("Maytag") alleging patent infringement regarding the Hoover Fusion vacuum cleaner, which was designed, manufactured and sold by The Hoover Company, which is owned by Maytag.

On August 1, 2005, Maytag filed counterclaims against Dyson for violations of Section 43(A) of the Lanham Act, Delaware's Deceptive Trade Practices Act, and the Delaware common law for unfair competition, for making false and misleading advertising claims concerning the alleged superior performance of Dyson upright vacuum cleaners, which are sold in the United States, and which competed with vacuums sold by Maytag's subsidiary, The Hoover Company.

Effective January 31, 2007, Maytag sold certain of its and its subsidiaries' assets, and assigned certain of their related liabilities

As a result of the transaction,

As a result, Maytag moves to join Hoover, Inc., Hoover General LLC, Hoover Limited LLC and Hoover Company I L.P. to the current litigation.

Counsel for Maytag has conferred with counsel for Dyson regarding this Motion. Dyson's counsel stated that Dyson would not consent to this Motion at this time.

The complete bases of this Motion and relation of the parties are set forth in Maytag's opening brief filed in support of this Motion. A form of Order implementing the relief sought by this Motion is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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ORDER

WHEREFORE, having considered Maytag's Motion for Leave to Join Parties, and having considered argument thereon,

IT IS SO ORDERED this ____ day of _____, 2007, that Maytag may re-file its Answer and Counterclaims wherein Hoover, Inc., Hoover General LLC, Hoover Limited LLC and Hoover Company I L.P. are joined as Defendants-Counterclaimants.

United States District Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Francis DiGiovanni, hereby certify that on March 13, 2007, I caused to be electronically filed a true and correct copy of the foregoing document with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF, which will send notification that such filing is available for viewing and downloading to the following counsel of record:

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